Judiciary Committee Public Hearing

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Testimony of Theresa C. Lantz, Commissioner, Department of Correction

Good afternoon, Senator McDonald, Representative Lawlor and distinguished members of the Judiciary Committee. I am Theresa Lantz, Commissioner for the Department of Correction and submit this testimony on the following bill:

Raised Bill No. 6685 An Act Concerning the Reporting of Inmate Population Density and Correctional Facility Specific Data

The Department has no objection to Raised Bill No. 6685, which would require the DOC to expand upon the information it currently provides to the Governor and Legislature. However, in Section 1 (b) (2) the more realistic and meaningful facility density threshold should be 10% instead of 5%.

Thank you for your consideration of the Department's views on Raised Bill No. 6685.